

# PLAN SECURITY FACT EXTENSION

## MEXICAN FARMHAND WHO KILLED TEXAS COUPLE IS JAILED

### FRANK SALAZAR ENGAGED IN ORGY OF CRIME AT MILES FARM HOME

AUSTIN, Dec. 19.—(P)—A slight young farmhand who admitted to officers that in a drunken frenzy, he killed the parents of the girl he loved was held in jail here today for safe-keeping by officers who feared to take him to the west Texas town where he committed the crime.

The state announced it would seek the death penalty for the laborer, Frank Salazar, who abducted his enamored and fled here after shooting Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy of Miles, Tex., and fracturing the skulls of their two daughters with an axe.

The Mexican still protested his love for Wilma Kennedy, 16-year-old pretty blonde, as she left for home, insisting she did not care for him; that she wanted only to be with the boy who had been her lover, who lay 36 hours in their blood-spattered home before aid came.

At 3 a. m. today, Wilma was brought to the home of her uncle, Earl Kennedy, who lives near Miles. Although she begged officers to let her see her gravely wounded sisters, she was not permitted to do so.

Hospital attendants said the younger sister, Faye, had "only a very slight chance to live" and that Imogene, 13, had a fair chance but only that.

Through a sequence of wild events, Salazar had kept the girl ignorant of the fact he had killed her parents until officers seized him yesterday, for the girl, and told her of the tragedy.

"I was crazy drunk on whiskey and beer," Sheriff Lee A. Allen quoted the Mexican as saying. Allen said Salazar in his statement said he went to the Kennedy farmhouse late Thursday night. He waited outside until the lights went out and he felt certain the household was asleep.

Then, in the space of a few minutes, Salazar—who said he never before had gotten into trouble except "once when I got caught in a poker game"—embraced an orgy of crime. Kennedy watched to insure stealth of his movements; shot Kennedy and robbed him; shot Mrs. Kennedy; forced Wilma outside and tied her while he returned to the house and, tacked the other children, stole the Kennedy car and kidnapped Wilma.

"Sheriff Allen said Salazar readily admitted the double killing, but asserted he did not remember attacking the children."

Parents killed instantly. The parents apparently were killed instantly, but the wound of Mrs. Kennedy, 35, lay in critical condition until a good death came Saturday morning.

Salazar and the girl drove to Austin, where the Mexican took

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## KIDNAPED GIRL AND KIDNAPER



Frank Salazar, 24, Mexican laborer, was captured early Sunday at Austin, Texas, where he fled, police officials said, after shooting Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy of Miles, Texas, and hacking with an axe their two daughters, Wilma Kennedy, 16, (left), whom he was alleged to have kidnapped, also was found at Austin. (Associated Press Photo)

## Allege Children Involved Liquor Selling In City

County and State L-Men were at a loss as to how to proceed following investigations over the week-end that involved liquor by youngsters in East Corsicana.

According to information furnished the criminal district attorney's department, a woman allegedly engaged in the selling of whiskey is using three of her children, two boys, one six and the other eight, and a daughter, about ten, in hiding and delivering the liquor. The children, the officers allege, hide the pint bottles and when a sale is effected, go and recover it and make the delivery.

The officers said they had not been able to catch enough whiskey on the premises to file a charge, and asked whether some other type of charge could be lodged against the mother. Deputies in the criminal district attorney's office were looking for law governing such matters Monday morning.

The officers said some of the neighbors had napped up their barns and garages so the youngsters could get "cache" the liquor on their premises.

A number of "customers" were warned during the week-end by the liquor operatives that if they were found there in the future, they would be placed in jail.

Muscula Interest Moved. HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 19.—(P)—The Muscula brothers' gigantic swindles have attracted the attention of at least two movie studios today.

A story titled "The Drug King" will go into production in a week at Warner's, with the cast including Claude Rains, Fay Bainter, Margaret Lindsay and Victor Jory.

Another picture based on the McKesson Robbins financial tangle with Edward G. Robinson starred has been announced by Columbia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—The weather bureau said today the week ended December 10 indicated conditions in parts of the western plains were favorable for "bad dust storms in late winter and spring if high winds occur."

However, heavy rains of snows would make the outlook brighter, the bureau said.

The weekly review said extreme dryness continued in much of the Great Plains and in the far south-southwest, with the situation becoming critical in some sections.

Declaring rain was needed urgently in parts of Nebraska, western Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas except the Panhandle and much of New Mexico, the bureau added, "Some soil blowing was reported from the western plains, but this is not yet serious."

"However, conditions are usually favorable for drifting soil and bad dust storms in the late winter and spring whenever high winds occur unless an abnormally favorable moisture situation develops through rains or snow."

The weekly report added the stock situation was causing some apprehension in sections of the western drought area. Abnormal warmth and little snow cover were favorable for livestock, however.

During the three fall months, September, October and November, the report stated, the Texas rainfall was 52 per cent of normal and in Oklahoma 58 per cent. That the winter wheat crop had "lost more or less ground in practically all sections with the late seeded especially poor. Wheat was said to be in fair condition locally in Oklahoma but in general.

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## CHAMBERLAIN DENIES REPORTS HE WOULD CEDE SOMALILAND

### BRITISH PREMIER, HOWEVER, DECLINES TO FORECAST ROME SUBJECTS

LONDON, Dec. 19.—(P)—Prime Minister Chamberlain told the house of commons today that Nazi Germany must be taken in as a "partner" to insure Europe's peace and progress.

In a vigorous defense of his foreign policy, the prime minister also declared that there was "no sort of difficulty or difference" between the United States and Britain "which gives us the slightest shade or cause for anxiety."

Chamberlain flatly denied reports that he intended to cede British Somaliland to Italy. He said "no such suggestion" had been made by Italy.

In face of a labor demand for a vote of censure on the government's post-Munich policy, Chamberlain stuck to his guns.

He declared he never would take the responsibility for entering war "unless it is forced upon me by the madness of others" and defended his course of "appeasement" both before and after the Munich accord of Sept. 29.

Of Germany he said "we have the firm conviction that unless this strong and virile nation can be induced, in partnership with others, to improve the general lot, there will be neither peace nor progress in Europe in things which make life worth living."

But, he acknowledged, "it takes two to make an agreement as it takes two to make a war."

"I am still waiting for a sign from those who speak for the German people," he said, "that they share this desire and that they are willing to make their contribution for the peace which would help them as it would help us."

Chamberlain's reference to Somaliland was in answer to a question before a full dress debate.

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## SUPREME COURT HAS AGREED PASS UPON STATE INCOME TAX

### RIGHT OF STATE TO COLLECT FROM FEDERAL EMPLOYEES UNDER TEST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—The supreme court agreed today to pass on litigation to test the right of a state to collect an income tax from employees of federal agencies.

Directly at issue was an attempt by New York to access a tax against the \$2,246 salary received in 1934 by James E. O'Keefe as attorney for the federal Home Owners' Corporation.

The New York court of appeals ruled that the attorney was performing a federal function and his salary could not be taxed by a state. The supreme court consented to review this decision.

The tribunal adjourned until Tuesday, January 3, without passing on constitutionally of the Tennessee Valley Authority's power program or the right of a state to raise taxes, after the proposed constitutional amendment to abolish child labor.

Tributes to the late Justice Benjamin N. Cardozo, who died last July, were paid by Chief Justice Hughes and Attorney Cummings.

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## COUPLE SLAIN AND TWO DAUGHTERS HACKED



This group shows the Paul Kennedy family, parents of which, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennedy, were slain last Thursday by Frank Salazar, 24, a Mexican laborer, at their farm home at Miles, near San Angelo, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy were shot to death, their daughters, Faye, 3, and Imogene, 13, seriously injured by an axe. Wilma, the third daughter, aged 16, was kidnapped by the slayer, who was charged with murder. (Associated Press Photo)

## GOVERNMENT OPENS INQUIRY INTO ARMS SMUGGLING PLOT

### BELIEVED OTHERS IMPLICATED WITH PHILIP MUSICA, ARCH-SWINDLER OF DAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(P)—A Boston lawyer swore today he drafted, at the behest of F. Donald Coster-Philip Musica, a contract for the purchase of Lee-Enfield rifles by McKesson and Robbins, Inc., and Standard Oil of England.

The lawyer, Frederick Winger, made his statement to Assistant State Attorney General Ambrose V. McCall, conducting an inquiry into the affairs of the \$87,000,000 corporation. Coster-Musica committed suicide Friday when he was exposed as a notorious swindler of a quarter century ago.

At the same time Brian McMahon, assistant U. S. attorney general, arriving from Washington, described Coster-Musica as probably "the biggest illicit liquor dealer in the country."

McMahon came here to co-ordinate the investigations of federal agencies interested in ferreting out the mystery behind Coster-Musica and the \$18,000,000 shortage in the firms' crude drugs department which he operated.

Emphasis has been placed on the gun-running angle by investigators who have advanced the tentative theory the missing sets might be in the form of unpaid bills or shipments of guns and ammunition.

Coster-Musica, according to McMahon, had connections "with practically every big name in the nation's underworld."

"There also seems to be some indication of illegal dealing in arms," McMahon said, "and the violations are probably not confined to the jurisdiction of New York. There is apparent violation also of several other laws."

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## Japanese Dislike American Loans To China During Week

TOKYO, Dec. 19.—(P)—Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita today declared the \$25,000,000 loan granted China by the United States Export-Import Bank "would be a very dangerous political gesture."

"The loan necessarily will lead to prolongation of the (Chinese-Japanese) conflict and naturally to the inconvenience of third powers," Arita asserted at his first press conference since induction into office Oct. 29.

He termed the loan, granted by the American government agency last week, "an inopportune and regrettable act on the part of the United States which

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## TWELVE TEXANS MET VIOLENT DEATHS IN WEEKEND JUST PAST

### TEN OF NUMBER DIED AS RESULT OF HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS SUNDAY

By The Associated Press  
Twelve Texans met violent deaths over the weekend, ten of them perishing in highway smash-ups.

Killed outright in a car-motor, train collision were Billie and Buster Smith, brothers, about 16 and 18, and Gene Hobbs, about 16, of Arville community. Their companion and driver of the car, Woodrow James was "doing fairly well" today in a Paris hospital.

Witnesses said the driver of the car, apparently was unable to stop as the boys approached a railroad crossing on a down-grade. The crash occurred on the two-coach train.

She Kelley, about 30, a Palestine carpenter, was fatally injured when a car struck him on a street Saturday. He died today.

Walter Russell, 20, of Denison, died shortly after a car in which he was riding turned over near Aubrey, Austin Lee Fortner, 18, of Westminster, student in Blue Ridge high school, died yesterday.

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## PRESIDENT WILL ASK EARLY ACTION BY NEW CONGRESS

### EXTENSION AND STRENGTHENING OF SOCIAL SECURITY ACT BE URGED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—President Roosevelt intends to ask congress early in January to extend and strengthen the social security act.

White House officials said today the chief executive intended to send a special message "relative to the extension of coverage and the strengthening of provisions of the social security act."

Presumably the message will transmit to congress a copy of the report carrying recommendations of the social advisory council.

The council made public Saturday recommendations that the insurance coverage be widely extended.

White House officials said possibly national defense also would be the subject for a special message but that has not yet been determined.

Mr. Roosevelt called in a group of government officials today to discuss defense problems. Those on the list were Chairman Edward J. Noble and Robert Hinkley of the civil aeronautics authority; Louis Johnson, assistant secretary of war; and Aubrey Williams, deputy WPA administrator.

There were indications that President Roosevelt would embrace railroad recommendations in his general message. The railroad situation also engaged his attention today in a conference with Carl Gray and George Harrison, members of the special board which is attempting to find some solution for the plight of the railroads.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(P)—The social security board was described by officials today as ready to parallel—at least in fundamentals—the recommendation of its advisory council for broad extension of the general old age insurance system.

The board will submit to President Roosevelt next month a detailed program for expansion of the social security act. Its details have not been disclosed.

The advisory council proposed last night that insurance coverage be extended by 1940 to about 8,600,000 workers now excluded and later to "the large, possibly unemployed population," including business and professional men, farmers and mechanics.

Advocating the principle of protection for the family unit, it proposed benefits for the wives, widows and children of insured workers and also creation of a disability insurance system to protect insured workers deprived of their earning power before retirement age.

With these expansion proposals the council made a third major recommendation—that present plans for a \$47,000,000,000 old age

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## PROSPECTS FOR DUST STORMS EARLY NEXT YEAR GOOD, WITH GREATLY DEFICIENT RAINFALL

### President Urges All Do Good Deed In Scout Message

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(P)—President Roosevelt sounded the keynote of a week of pre-Christmas festivities today in a message to the Boy Scouts of America.

The message, made public by Chief Scout Executive James E. West, suggested that "all of us do a good deed for some other person, especially for some one who is less fortunate than ourselves."

The President will extend formal Yuletide greetings to the nation Saturday in a ceremony at which he will light the National Community Christmas tree in Washington.

Following her 13-year custom, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will distribute gifts to 36 boys and girls under 12 years of age tomorrow at a Christmas party at the headquarters of the New York Women's Trade Union League.

Forget Someone?  
Almost everybody has some last-minute Christmas shopping to do. Don't start out in a blind rush. There are several bits of advice that will save your nerves. Read them on Page 2.

## Mediation Plan Spanish War Was Rejected Today

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 19.—(P)—The eighth Pan-American conference steering committee today killed Cuban proposal for mediation by American republics in the Spanish civil war by a vote of 18 to 3.

The Cuban project would have sought an immediate armistice after which American nations, chiefly the Spanish-speaking states, would have offered mediation.

Chief objection was that the plan constituted an attempt to involve the western hemisphere in the affairs of Europe at a time when the conference was seeking means of keeping European hands off purely American problems.

Only Haiti and Mexico voted with Cuba for the proposal.

The conference moved next action on the issue of continental solidarity and defense when it was announced that the Brazilian delegation, headed by ex-foreign minister Arafio Mello Franco, had completed its formula for such action.

Informed persons said that Mello Franco's draft included a declaration that the signatories would hold themselves ready to defend the American continent against expansionist designs of non-American powers and proposed a plan for the creation of a "league of nations" to acquire the territory of others.

In case of any aggression against an American state the signatories would agree to combine immediately in a common defense.

## LEGISLATURES OF FORTY-FOUR STATES JOIN CONGRESS ATTACK ON TAX, PENSION AND REVENUE

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(P)—Legislature of 44 states join congress starting next month in attacking the processing tax, pension and revenue proposals of the nation.

Forty-three legislatures were scheduled to meet next month, and Florida's in April.

A survey by the council of state governments, announced today, indicated the emphasis would be on social security and welfare bills with little civil service, wage law revision and increased support of schools high up on the state's agenda.

Liberalized old age pension measures were expected in California, Minnesota, Nevada, Washington, Maine and Indiana. Massachusetts will consider reducing the pension eligibility age from 65 to 60, and Colorado and North Dakota will debate financing of their pension plans of \$45 and \$40 a month, respectively.

The survey showed that bills to extend coverage of unemployment compensation laws would be up in New Hampshire, Oklahoma and Vermont, and that Connecticut,

## URGES LIVING BY GOLDEN RULE AND TEN COMMANDMENTS

### HARRY HINES, MEMBER OF STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION, DELIVERS ADDRESS

By CHARLTON GUNTER  
Daily Sun Staff.

If people will make living by the "Golden Rule" and the Ten Commandments, the highway problem of the world will be solved and safety on highways will be a natural consequence, declared Harry Hines, member of the Texas highway commission, in his address at a joint meeting of the various congregations of Kerens at the Baptist church Sunday evening.

After congregational singing, the Rev. C. R. Gray of the Methodist church, reading the Scripture lesson for the evening, taken from the Exodus account of the Ten Commandments. The Rev. Joe Everheart of the Presbyterian church led the evening prayer. Miss Berta Mae Stevens was the vocal soloist for the evening.

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Hall Introduced Hines. C. J. Hall, one of Kerens' leading citizens, introduced Commissioner Hines as a friend of Navarro county and of Kerens.

In his introductory remarks, Mr. Hines expressed his appreciation for the large audience and suggested that any of the regular ministers' hearts would be warmed by a similar sight. He suggested that much good might result from more frequent joint gatherings. He also stated he was glad to know there were so many Christian people in Kerens and vicinity and added they must be at least Christian at heart or they would not be in attendance for a lay speaker. He suggested that 1939 would be a good time for the Christians of Kerens to make a complete list of every resident within reasonable distance of Kerens who should be in one of the churches and to supply this list to every conscientious leader. He said every business

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## BELIEVED LANDON'S SPEECH ON MONROE DOCTRINE HIGHLY DISTASTEFUL TO ARGENTINA

### Bodies of Steel Official And His Daughter Found

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Dec. 19.—(P)—The bodies of Charles S. Rye, 50 United States Steel Corp., official of Pittsburgh, Pa., and his six-year-old daughter, Dorothy, who had been missing since they started on a fishing trip Thursday, were found in Biscayne Bay today.

Identification was made by Charles A. McCaleb of Elmhurst, Ill., a brother-in-law who flew here yesterday.

An airplane pilot sighted the bodies about noon in the Miami Beach shore, across the bay from where the empty motorboat washed ashore yesterday. He notified police and circled over the spot until a harbor patrol recovered them.

Rye, assistant manager of the steel company, came here from Pittsburgh to recuperate from a nervous breakdown.

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## INDICTED PRESIDENT VAST DRUG FIRM SHOT HIMSELF FATALLY

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SED MAN AT TIME

FAIRFIELD, Conn., Dec. 16.—(AP)—F. Donald Coster, indicted president of the vast McKesson and Robbins Drug corporation who had been disclosed as an ex-convict with a criminal record going back more than a quarter of a century, shot and killed himself today in his country mansion near here.

Federal authorities were on the way to the luxurious Coster home to re-arrest him at the time.

Fully dressed, Coster went into the bathroom, pressed a pistol to his right ear, and pulled the trigger.

First reports indicated that Mrs. Coster had seen her husband with the pistol but had been powerless to restrain him. She collapsed afterward.

Samuel Reich, an attorney, rushed from the home as soon as he had heard what had happened and pointed with a finger as though it were a pistol, and shouted: "He shot himself! He shot himself!"

Investigators were told that three weeks ago Coster, who formerly was Philip Musica, an ex-convict, until he made an almost incredible change in his name, his associations and his whole life, had indicated an intention to take his own life and that his three pistols had been secreted in the family garage by a chauffeur.

Federal Man Heard Shot. The investigation into the \$87,000,000 drug firm which Coster headed had not begun at that time—an investigation of an apparent \$18,000,000 overstatement of assets.

Art Gorman, an assistant federal attorney in New Haven, Conn., arrived at the front door of the Coster home only to hear the shot that ended Coster's life. "I arrived before the police in company with about ten other men connected with the United States Marshall's office in New Haven," he said. "We had come here to take Coster into custody for a hearing before the commissioner in New Haven."

"As we stood at the door we heard a shot from upstairs. The household was in turmoil. I have seldom seen such hysteria or heard such weeping as was set up immediately."

"U. S. Marshall Bernard Fitch ran upstairs and found the body of Coster in the bathroom, but let through his hand. He was dead—thoroughly dead when Fitch found him."

Wife Panic-Stricken. "Mrs. Coster was panic-stricken and hysterical almost beyond control. She was there with a man named Jenkins who was associated with Coster in some way. The rest of the household, as nearly as I could discern, were servants."

"With us was Dietrich. When he heard the shot he suddenly became a broken man. He wept pitifully and carried on when he learned that what he feared actually had happened."

"Mrs. Coster kept repeating, 'He told me he wouldn't do this.' He swore he wouldn't. The entire household seemed to take the shooting very hard."

"Dietrich denied to us that he was Coster's brother, and, frankly, I don't believe he was."

"Now we are going to the U. S. Marshall's office in New Haven. The family remained by itself in a room shut off from the rest of the house. The body has been taken away by the local undertaker."

Coster, as he shot himself, had his left hand in his pocket. He stood in front of a mirror. As he fired—with a 38 calibre pistol—he toppled backward and fell halfway into the bathtub.

His spectacles fell into the bowl under the mirror.

REPUBLICANS MUST  
PUSH FORWARD WITH  
LIBERAL PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Governor George D. Aiken of Vermont said today that if republicans want to win the presidency in 1940 they must push forward with the next two years with a liberal program that will draw labor and farm support.

The republican governor, who was one of the first to demand a more liberal GOP political philosophy, told reporters: "The party has got to realize that it must be liberal if it is going to get anywhere. Those elected to congress have got to realize that if they profess to be liberals from expediency they must back up their words with actions. If they don't, their views will be corrected in the next election."

The touse-haired, quiet-spoken Vermontier, who to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the Governors conference, said he did not "expect too much" of the republican program committee because "the real dirt farmer is not represented in any group except the liberals and conservatives in both major parties is possible before 1940. The voters are pretty fickle," he added.

The governor, who has been mentioned as a presidential possibility, said he was making no effort to line up delegates to the 1940 convention. He said he was, despite republican victories in the November elections "no logical or outstanding candidate" for the G. O. P. nomination has come forward.

Card of Thanks. "We take this method of thanking our friends of Dawson, Bloomington, Groves, Corcoran, and surrounding community for their donations to help build our church at Raleigh, May God bless each of you for your prayer. The fairview Baptist church at Raleigh.

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## TRIO OF BROTHERS HELD UNDER BAIL OF \$100,000 SATURDAY

STILL MORE SENSATIONAL  
DISCLOSURES IN COSTER  
FINANCIAL INTRIGUE

By The Associated Press.  
The Coster-Musica case in brief:

Three Musica brothers, Arthur, George and Robert, were held under \$100,000 bail each today on charges of violating the federal securities act. The four brothers, Philip, who is F. Donald Coster's brother-in-law, McKesson and Robbins, was the director of the family's fantastic financial operations, lay dead in Connecticut, a suicide.

The assistant attorney general, Ambrose V. McCall, said information had been uncovered "of the wholesale sale of arms and ammunition which may involve living persons."

The postoffice department began an investigation of the case; in all, ten inquiries were under way.

Philip Musica (Coster) was identified in New York as a World War spy investigator who used the name of "William Johnson" and files of the senate judiciary committee. He was also identified as former Senator James A. Reed of Missouri has exposed "Johnson" as Musica in 1918.

Correspondence between Musica-Coster and Harry E. MacKenzie was seized in Bridgeport, Conn. MacKenzie recently pleaded guilty in a Waterbury, Conn., municipal fraud conspiracy.

McKesson and Robbins securities had a new low in "over the counter" trading.

Two Musica sisters, prominent in the family's financial scandal, were located by police: Louise as the wife of a gardener on the estate of Henry Morgenthau, Jr., secretary of the treasury, in New York; and another sister, who was known as Maire Girard.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP)—Still more sensational disclosures of the incredible web of international financial intrigue spun by F. Donald Coster, the wizard whose magisterial flight after the seizure of his assets by federal agents today with ten investigations seeking to unravel the tangled skein.

The breath-taking developments yesterday, climaxed by firing a bullet into his brain, milking of the \$87,000,000 McKesson & Robbins Drug Company of \$18,000,000 in assets, only one of his many, far-flung extra-legal activities.

Investigators pushed inquiries into reports that Coster, really Philip Musica, an Italian-born, ex-convict, had been indicted as head of the world's third largest wholesale drug concern, helped finance one South American war, and assisted in smuggling arms to Spain in violation of the neutrality act.

So significant did this development appear to Assistant Attorney General Ambrose V. McCall that he abruptly adjourned Monday in order to study the case.

May Involve Living Persons. "The attorney general has obtained information of the wholesale sale of arms and ammunition which may involve living persons," he said. He refused to amplify the statement.

The U. S. attorney's office also disclosed it had begun an inquiry into reports that Coster had helped finance Bolivia in its Chaco boundary war over a promise of a quinine monopoly.

Further furore accompanied the disclosure that papers connected with the Coster-Musica case were missing from the office of the chief clerk of the general sessions court here.

The missing documents were indictments filed against Coster, then known under his real name of Musica, for forging of evidence and bribery of a witness in a murder case, in 1920.

Eight other inquiries were underway into the labyrinthine affairs of the self-styled business titan and those of his three brothers, Arthur, George and Robert, who were connected with the drug firm's financial operations.

The income tax division of the Canadian revenue department. It issued writs of conservatorship against associates of Canadian affiliates of McKesson & Robbins.

The U. S. bureau of internal revenue, conducting a sweeping inquiry into the drug firm's income tax payments, reported a shortage of \$77,148 in income tax charged.

The alcohol unit of the U. S. treasury. Agents in Hartford, Conn., are checking to uncover possible violations of the alcohol tax act.

The U. S. department of agriculture. An accusation that the drug company had violated pure food and drug laws by selling sub-standard quinine tablets started company officials on the inquiry which led to Coster's downfall.

A New York stock exchange committee, which began probing trading in the drug firm's securities.

Dewey Plans Probe. The office of District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey, Grand jury proceedings in New York county were expected to follow.

Coster hopelessly trapped in a web that tangled him ever deeper, found his solution in death, authorities moved quickly against the three brothers whom the government charged with playing varying roles as his aides in building an empire of swindles.

"George Dietrich," identified as George Musica, was held in Connecticut charged with conspiring to violate the securities act of 1934. He was assistant vice

president and assistant treasurer of the drug firm.

"George Dietrich," Canadian agent of the corporation, was held in \$100,000 bail on a similar charge after police forced their way into his Brooklyn home at pistol point to arrest him. His real name, authorities said, was Arthur Musica. His trial in federal court here was fixed for January 10.

Charge Against Robert. "Robert Dietrich," or Robert Musica, youngest of the brothers, also was held in New York under \$100,000 bail. Robert, who was employed as purchasing agent in the McKesson-Robbins plant at Bridgeport, was arraigned on a simple charge of violating the Securities Act.

Robert was the only Musica brother not involved in the collapse of the \$100,000,000 United States Hair Company in 1933, a major financial scandal of the period, for which Coster-Musica assumed all blame. Robert was only nine years old then.

Authorities said that the 76-year-old mother of Coster-Musica, known as Mrs. Mary Girard, had left the modest brick home at Westbury, N. Y., Wednesday "to enjoy the winter climate."

Another sister, they said, was the wife of Robert Guex, a gardener on the estate of Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau at Westbury, N. Y.

In its attempt to trace all the ramifications of the myriad Musica affairs, the U. S. attorney's office seized correspondence between McKesson & Robbins and MacKenzie, a Connecticut political figure.

Fackenzle pleaded guilty recently to a charge of conspiring to defraud the city of Waterbury of more than a million dollars.

Kantor Says Guns Offered Him by Firm

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—(AP)—An assertion that some officials of McKesson & Robbins offered to sell him guns was made in a police line-up today by John Kantor, 60, arrested yesterday at the request of Stratford, Conn., police.

Kantor is the father of MacKinnon Kantor, the author, who said his mother divorced his father many years ago and that he had no association with his father since.

Kantor, who said he lived in Montreal, Can., denied he ever had been employed by McKesson & Robbins, but he had any "business dealings with the firm."

Acting Lieutenant James Pyko then asked: "What about smuggling guns to other countries?"

"McKesson & Robbins offered to sell me some guns," Kantor replied, after a brief pause. "I was asked not to discuss it."

"Was that by order of the attorney general?"

"Yes," said Kantor, "and also by the SEC (Securities and Exchange Commission)."

Detective William Morgan said the warrant for Kantor on which he was arrested, was issued by Adair Mahler, clerk of the Stratford court, where a grand larceny complaint had been lodged against Kantor in connection with an oil deal involving \$2,800.

Kantor said his office was in Montreal, but he had been in New York for five months. Police said Kantor's record showed five arrests, but no convictions.

Capitol Hill Takes Official Notice

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—(AP)—The McKesson & Robbins case received its first official notice on Capitol Hill today.

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A. & M. EXPERIMENT STA-  
TION DISCUSSES SOILS

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 17. (AP)—Cause of indoor plant seedlings falling over and drying up, says A. A. Dunlap of the division of plant pathology at Texas A. & M. experiment station here, usually is located in the soil. Almost any kind of soil, he says, harbors certain fungi that may attack the tender seedlings.

Soil for starting plants indoors should be light and sandy so it will not hold too much water. It is best to obtain it from woods or fields away from cultivated areas. If necessary to use soil from the yard garden, it might be well first to heat it thoroughly for an hour or two in a hot oven, then allowed to cool before planting the seeds. Certain formaldehyde dust preparations are effective in controlling damping-off (diseases of seedling plants) when mixed with soil just before planting.

In watering soil indoors use just enough to keep the plants from wilting. Seed should not be shown too thickly because seedlings in dense stands tend to become long-legged and worthless. Place the plants in the sunlight as much as possible so they will be dark green in color and sturdy. Seedlings grow faster under high temperatures and cooler conditions will produce stockier plants.

In addition to the many seed and soil treatments for damping-off, it has been found that seeds sown in peat sand will produce seedlings remarkably free from the common seedling diseases.

Sand for raising seedlings should contain no soil nor decaying organic matter on which damping-off fungi might be living. The seashore or a deep sandpit are likely sources of fairly good coarse sands suitable for this particular purpose, but almost any sand can be used after several washings in hot water.

Make Good Containers. Clean tin cans about six inches high with a few small holes punched in the bottom make good containers for seedlings. A limited number of plants, after filling the container nearly full of sand, the seeds are sown on the surface and these are covered with a shallow layer of the same clean sand. The entire sand mass is then thoroughly wetted. Because most seeds contain only limited amounts of stored food materials for the seedling, it is necessary to wet the sand thoroughly once or twice a week with a solution made by stirring two teaspoonfuls of a complete, commercial, chemical fertilizer, such as 5-8-7, in a gallon of water. If more watering is required between the fertilizer applications in order to keep the sand constantly moist, the container may be placed in a shallow container of water until the sand has taken up as much water as it will hold. This prevents washing the fertilizers away from the roots of the seed-

## F. W. Woolworth Takes Long Lease On Two Buildings

The completion of a fifteen year lease by F. W. Woolworth Company on buildings No. 110 and 112 North Benton street, was announced Saturday by Mrs. Billy Peck, who handled the deal.

The work of remodeling the buildings will start January 1, and at completion the Woolworth Company will have one of the most modern and up-to-date stores in this section of the state.

The move from the present location, 102 North Benton, to the new location was necessitated by the need of additional space, it was stated.

The Baum building is now occupied by Woolworth. The buildings to be occupied by the store are known as the Pace and Raphael buildings.

## Couch Presented 25-Year-Watch Fob As Member IOOF

C. B. Couch, superintendent of the I. O. O. F. Home here, has been presented a 25-year-watch fob, commemorating his 25 years' membership in the I. O. O. F. Superintendant Couch's membership is in the Vernon Lodge No. 43, I. O. O. F., but the presentation was made at the regular meeting Thursday night of Corsicana Lodge No. 63. The presentation was made by J. I. Elliott, past grand and treasurer of the local lodge on behalf of the Vernon subordinate lodge.

## Four Counties In One-Variety Cotton Contest Winners

DALLAS, Dec. 17. (AP)—Red River, Williamson, Delta and Hopkins counties were represented among the winners yesterday in the East Texas Chamber of Commerce one-variety cotton contest. The Rugby community of Red River county won the \$500 first prize. The North Glin section of the Coupland community, Williamson county, won second place, \$300. The \$200 third award went to the Enloe community, Delta county.

In a contest among negroes, the North Caney community of Hopkins county won first prize of \$200.

After the seedlings have reached a size to permit being handled easily, they may be transplanted into pots or boxes of soil. If desired however, the seedlings will grow into larger plants by continued feedings in the sand, perhaps with a little thinning out, until they are large enough to set directly into the garden.

In addition to the important feature of freedom from damping-off, seeds in sand always show high germination percentages and the seedlings have large, strong root systems, which enable them to withstand transplanting remarkably well. With a little experience in the use of sand for raising seedlings, one may favor this method over the usual soil culture.

## COTTON SUBSIDIES, SOIL CONSERVATION EXCEED \$1,000,000

Governmental cotton subsidies and soil conservation payments for Navarro county had exceeded \$1,000,000 by a considerable margin during 1938 for 1937 compliance by Navarro county producers, figures available at the office of H. C. Robinson, county agent, reveals. Navarro county has received more governmental benefits than any other county in Texas this year.

Three subsidy checks were received Saturday morning totalling \$530,78. These checks brings the total subsidy payments to \$667,022.08. Conservation checks amount to \$48,273.04, making the grand total of \$1,135,295.12.

Approximately 300 optional certificates for 1933, amounting to between \$7,000 and \$8,000, are to be secured by Navarro county within the next few days. Notices are being sent out and the producers entitled to these benefits are receiving the payments.

## Barry Girls Winner Blossoming Grove Cane Tournament Honors

Barry girls' basketball club forged ahead Friday night at Blossoming Grove to win the annual Blossoming Grove Invitational tournament with a 27-17 decision over the high school girls of Blossoming Grove.

Garrett of Ellis county defeated Bynum, Hill county, for third place, while McCord nosed out Frost for the consolation prize. It was learned in Corsicana Saturday morning that the girls' basketball tournament that got under way in Isbell Hall, Blossoming Grove High school, Tuesday night.

## Chapman Named Mayor Pro Tem For Kerens

KERENS, Dec. 17.—G. M. Chapman, senior member of the Kerens city council, was appointed mayor pro tem for Kerens at a special meeting of the council this week. He will serve until the regular election in April.

The council had called for a special election to select a mayor for Kerens, but, as the council representative-elect, has resigned, effective Dec. 31, 1938.

## Barry Will Meet Blossoming Grove For Cane Tourny Title

BLOSSOMING GROVE, Dec. 15. (SPL.)—Barry will meet Blossoming Grove for the championship of the basketball tournament at 9 o'clock tonight. Garrett will meet Bynum for third place at 7 o'clock and Frost and McCord meet at 8 o'clock to determine the consolation winner.

In the games Thursday night Frost beat Powell 32 to 13; Barry defeated Garrett 30 to 24; Blossoming Grove beat Bynum 33 to 12 and McCord nosed out Rice 26 to 25.

## Courthouse News

District Court. The jury for the case was excused Friday by District Judge Wayne R. Howell.

The jury commission selecting grand and petit jury lists for the January term of court closed its work Friday afternoon and was discharged by Judge Howell. The commission was composed of Edward M. Polk, Jr., Corsicana; G. A. Bell, Barry; and H. H. Hanks, Powell.

District Clerk's Office. The following cases were filed: Sam Weston vs. the Southern Underwriters Employers Casualty Company, to test award of industrial accident board.

R. F. Comer vs. E. O. Zeason et ux, debt and foreclosure on \$3,69 acres and Gamble survey, T. J. Carmody vs. W. M. Peck, et ux, et al, debt and foreclosure on 68.1 acres John M. Wyle and Stephen F. Minton surveys in Navarro and Freestone counties.

Barlow will become assistant criminal district attorney under Chas. T. Banister Jan. 1, 1939.

County Clerk's Office. The following case was filed: Louise Womack et al vs. C. A. Tripp, suit on contract.

Marriage License. Henry Carrizales and Lupe Rodriguez.

Warranty Deeds. Frank W. Hooper to W. J. Moorman et al, 1-2 interest in 97 acres Henry Lackey survey, \$10 and other considerations.

W. J. Moorman et ux to August Stephen et ux, 87 acres Henry Lackey survey, \$10 and other considerations.

E. L. Moore et ux to G. E. Moore, 50 acres G. R. Wheelock survey, \$100 and other considerations.

Mrs. Frances Turner to L. T. Davis, 57.41 acres George W. Meazell survey, \$3,000.

Jack Tinkle et ux to L. T. Davis, 57.42 acres George W. Meazell survey, \$3,000.

Justice Court. Two were fined on drunkenness charges and two for speeding by Judge A. E. Foster. The speeding arrests were made by State Highway Patrolmen W. B. Dixon and M. R. Reid.

## Emhouse Boys And Girls Defeated Dawson Thursday

EMHOUSE, Dec. 17. (SPL.)—Emhouse Pirates had little difficulty Thursday night in drubbing the Dawson Bulldogs, 46-10, when J. Harrell, coach, with 18 points, Cooper and Allard stood out for Dawson.

Emhouse girls also turned in a decisive win over the Dawson girls, 38-3, calling the visitors in all departments of the game. The Emhouse sextette has shown considerable improvement in the past few weeks. Fay Champion, Emhouse forward, again set the scoring pace when she accounted for a grand total of 31 points during the evening.

The Box Scores. Emhouse (Boys). Player—fg ft fls pts J. Harrell, f.....9 0 1 18 L. Stough, f.....0 0 0 0 J. Berthaupt, f.....5 0 1 10 Drain, f.....2 0 1 4 D. M. Drake, f.....0 0 0 0 D. Wetzel, f.....0 0 0 0 Armstrong, f.....1 0 0 2 Warren, c.....0 0 1 0 Mott, c.....0 0 1 0 A. Ray, c.....1 1 0 2 Rich, g.....3 2 0 5 H. Drain, g.....1 0 0 2 Totals.....22 2 6 46

Dawson (Boys). Player—fg ft fls pts Ranfro, f.....0 0 0 0 Berry, f.....0 0 0 0 French, c.....0 0 2 0 Cooper, c.....2 2 2 8 Allard, g.....2 0 3 0 Sawyer, f.....0 0 3 0 Pitts, g.....0 0 0 0 Lawrence, g.....0 0 0 0 Totals.....4 2 12 10

Girls' Game. Emhouse (Girls). Player—fg ft fls pts Baker, f.....6 0 2 12 Champion, f.....15 1 3 31 Salter, f.....1 1 0 3 M. Johnson, f.....5 2 0 12 Allen, g.....0 0 0 0 Farmer, g.....0 0 1 0 Pouch, g.....0 0 0 0 Burks, c.....0 0 0 0 Vyars, g.....0 0 0 0 Totals.....27 4 6 58

Dawson (Girls). Player—fg ft fls pts Lawrence, f.....0 1 3 1 Bell, f.....0 1 1 1 Slaughter, f.....0 0 1 0 Lancaster, g.....0 0 1 0 Northern, g.....0 0 2 0 Lawrence, g.....0 0 2 0 Michaels, g.....0 1 0 1 Totals.....0 3 12 3

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## ANGUS FARMER DIES FOLLOWING STROKE PARALYSIS FRIDAY

Don M. Sawyer, aged 64 years, farmer of the Angus community, died shortly before 8 o'clock Friday night. Funeral rites are planned at the Richland Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with burial in the Richland cemetery. The services will be conducted by Rev. George Bounds of Wortham.

Mr. Sawyer was reported to have been stricken with paralysis sometime Friday morning while chopping wood. He was discovered, it was reported, in a critical condition by members of his family when he failed to return to the house for the noon meal Friday.

Surviving are his wife, three daughters, Mrs. Opal Ward, Lindale; Mrs. Mildred Zube, Corsicana; and Miss Dorothy Sawyer, Angus; a son, R. H. Sawyer, Angus; two brothers, Paul Sawyer, Dallas, and Drew Sawyer, Dawson; four sisters, Mrs. Ruth Hayes, Canton; Mrs. John Ward, Fort Worth; Mrs. Charles Bellman, Floydada; and Mrs. Bell Preston, Kansas City, Mo.; three grandchildren and other relatives. Corley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## Corsicana Public Schools Close For Holidays Wednesday

The Corsicana public schools will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays Wednesday, December 21, W. H. Norwood, superintendent has announced. The holiday will extend through Monday, January 2 and classes will be resumed on Tuesday, January 3. The additional holiday will be realized by classes being held on Saturday, January 21, Mr. Norwood said.

## Aged Mertens Man Buried Wednesday

FROST, Dec. 17.—Funeral services for R. L. (Bud) Mertens, aged 70 years, were held at the Mertens Methodist church Wednesday. He was well-known in this section.

Surviving are his wife and four sons.

## News of County Home Demonstration Clubs

Richland Club. The Richland Home Demonstration club met Thursday, Dec. 15, in the home of Mrs. Dora Anderson with ten members and two visitors present.

Jingle Bells was sung. The roll was called, the minutes were read and approved. As there was no unfinished business the 1938 officers turned the club over to the 1939 officers.

The gifts were each numbered and placed on the Christmas tree. Then each member drew a number and received their gift.

## Dangerous Enemy to Southeastern Texas Pecan Crop Found

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 16. (AP)—The most dangerous enemy of Southeastern Texas pecan crops is the "huck worm," a tiny, cream-colored bug that is unusually difficult to destroy, says George M. Craig, banker and amateur entomologist of Port Arthur.

Eating into the outer hull the worms cause pecans to fall prematurely, Craig says, leaving the nuts green and streaked. If hulls are permitted to live, the worms will develop a moth in the spring, which will lay from 60 to 100 eggs under pecan leaves.

Complete burning of all shucks and twigs is the only way to exterminate the worm, Craig learned, and even this is not effective unless carried out over large areas.

## Three Permits For Improvement Local Service Stations

Three permits for improvements to Magnolia Petroleum Company service stations amounting to \$645 made up the total for the week issued from the office of the city engineer, and brought the total for the year to \$207,211.

The permits: Magnolia Petroleum company, 212 South Seventh street, repairs \$500.

Magonia Petroleum company, 406 N. Main street, repairs \$50.

Magonia Petroleum company, 902 West Fifth avenue, repairs, \$95.

Entertainment included a reading by L. V. Johnston; a song by Billie Loyd Melton; a song by

## CORONATION PAGEANT WAS FINALE POWELL HIGH GRID SEASON

Powell High School marked the official closing of its football season Thursday night at 8 o'clock with the coronation of Inogene Ray, sophomore student, as football queen. The ceremony, held in the high school auditorium, was a colorful pageant made beautiful by the charmingly gowned ladies of the queen's court escorted by their cavaliers. The queen, in evening dress of shining silver cloth, presided over the assembly with truly regal grace. After a program of readings and musical numbers for the queen's pleasure Clyde Ross, superintendent of Powell High school and coach of the Panthers, awarded bronze plaques to the football boys who had won distinction during the season.

The following students took part in the procession: Betty Ruth Storey and Hugh Allen Kenner, countesses and Count of the first grade; Fattie Ray McCullough and Winston Johnston, countess and Count of the second grade; Billie Jean Layfield and Thomas Newton Kenner, countess and Count of the third grade; Virginia Ruth Ward and Leon Johnston, countess and Count of the fourth grade; Dorothy Haynie and Hays Coleman, countess and Count of the fifth grade; Dora Fay Johnston and John Kenner, countess and Count of the sixth grade; Jeannell Ross and Lloyd Kent, countess and Count of the seventh grade; Deane Johnston and Cecil Parker, countess and Count of the Freshman class; Elizabeth Melton and J. D. Spinks, countess and Count of the sophomore class; Velma Johnston and Joe Quinn, Jr., countess and Count of the Junior class; Lela Varner and Dubart Davis, countess and Count of the senior class; Lucille Featherstone, duchess of the Junior class, escorted by Duke Beauford of the House of Massey; Pauline Massey, Duchess of the Senior class, escorted by Duke Melvin of the House of Gilcrease; Imogene Ray, Queen of the Football Season; Leon Aven, King; Delmar Ware, crown bearer; and Billie Ruth Warren and Wayne Johnston, train bearers.

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Agnes Boone, Sybil Sprull, Naomi Jean Glasgow, Billie Earl McGraw and Edwin Johnston; readings by Gerald Christian Kenner and Hal Melton Quinn; piano selections by Joy Dillard and Joy White and a song by Fred Elliott, Jr., pupils of Mrs. Joy Melton of Powell; a reading by Mary Sue Sprull; a piano selection by T. L. Murdoch; songs by Thelma Ficklin, Ozella McQuarry, Thetis Perry and Melba Braddock; a violin solo by Harriet Emerson; jokes by Willie Ross and Eugene Tucker; and a reading by Miss Minnie Beth Elliott, speech teacher.

Coach Ross presented medals to the following football boys: Captain Howard Jackson, Co-Captain Beauford Massey, Edwin Dancor Jr., Dubart Davis, Leon Aven, Joe Quinn, Jr., Delmar Barry (in absentia) Morris Holloway, Edward Shelton and Jimmie Burton; and to Wayland Melton and Cecil Parker, who acted as water boys throughout the season.

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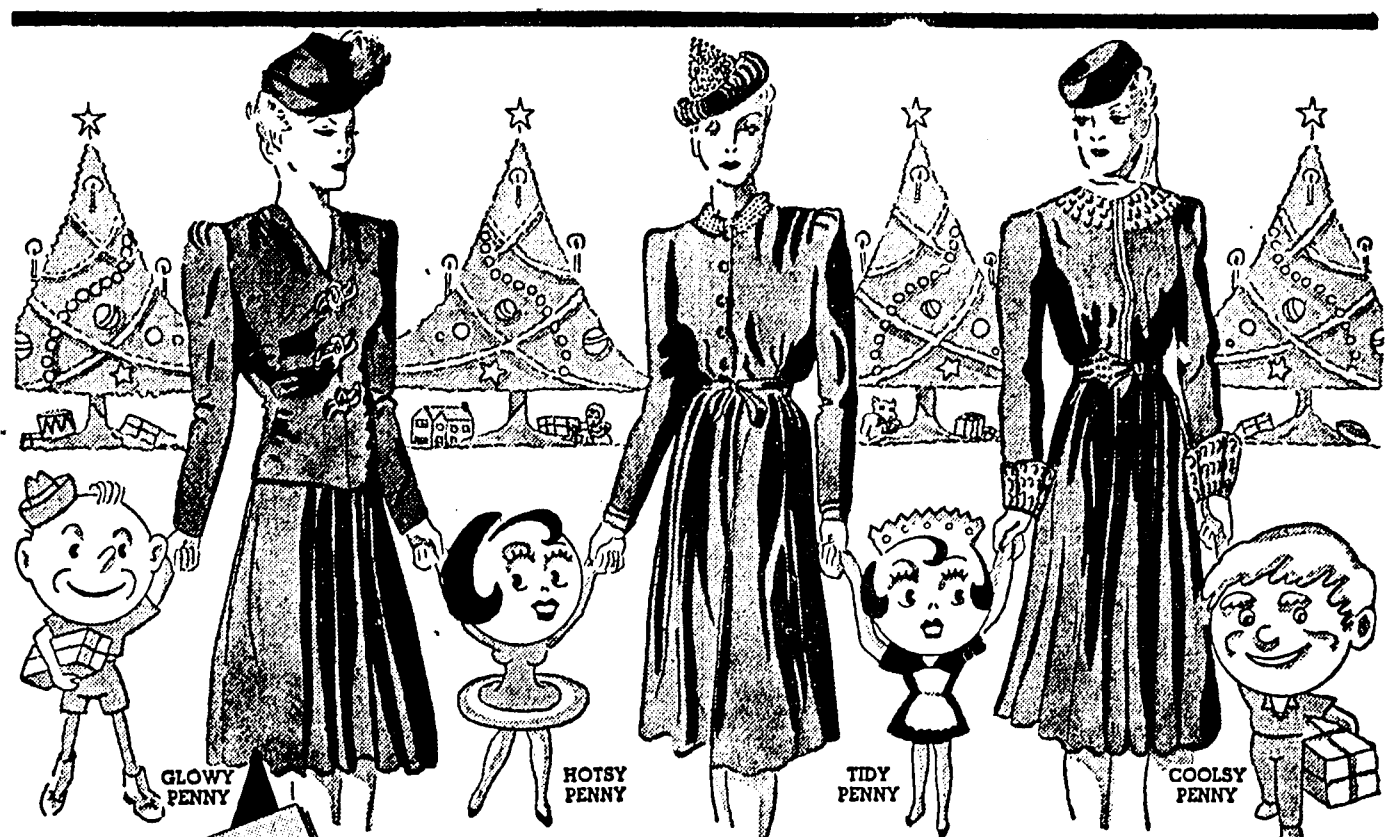
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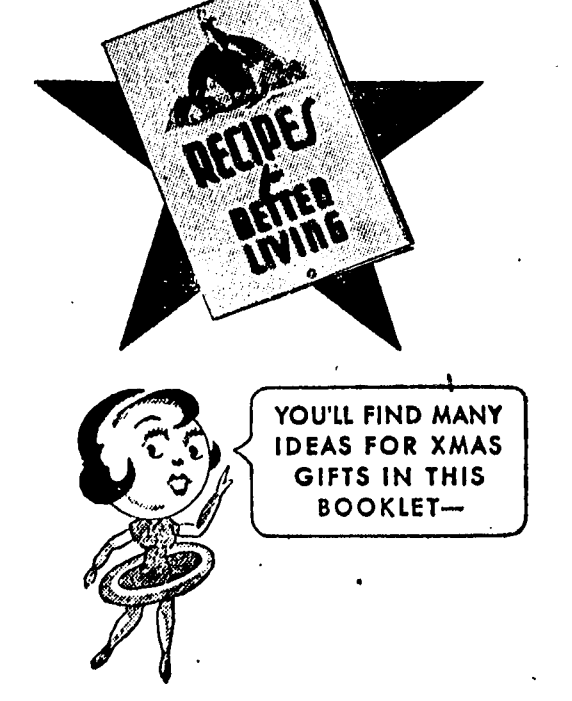
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# Health, Beauty And Poise

How to Improve Your Personality  
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## TAKE A LESSON FROM THE GENTLEMEN

I am sure you will agree with me that men on the whole look neater and cleaner than the average woman—with seemingly less effort. But is there less effort expended? I don't think so.

Men are aware of the importance of their appearance in the business world. They are judged by their grooming and then given a chance to prove their ability. In making contacts for their firms, they must create a favorable impression when they call on a client and be ready to attend



Linen Should Be Immaculate

the unexpected meeting with the out of town prospect. An employer will always choose the man whose appearance is good, whose manners are impeccable, as well as the man with a thorough knowledge of the business, to send off on the important mission. This man becomes a representative of the company's standards.

Many girls feel that being in the office makes their appearance less important, and think that they can get away with certain careless habits. You might be surprised to know some of the things business men comment upon at conferences. I know one case in particular of a girl with really superior ability who was being considered for a wonderful promotion that would give her the opportunity she had been longing for. The remark that killed her chances was, "Yes, I'll admit she's got the background, but she's not put together right." It described her appearance so perfectly that everyone discarded her as a possibility for the opening.

A man would never think of

wearing a shirt with a soiled collar; but how often have you seen a woman "all dressed up" and with a ridge of soil about the neck of her dress, or a collar that was not really clean? A man sends his suit to be pressed after every third wearing and sometimes often; but many business girls wear their suit for several weeks without pressing.

A man has his shoes shined every day or so, and many women don't even brush their fabric shoes, or clean off the patent leather.

A man shampoos his hair and keeps it well trimmed and neatly brushed; but you surely know some girls who let too long a time elapse between shampoos and, as a consequence, look a bit unkempt and also have a badly soiled lining in their hats. Do guard against this sort of carelessness. It is one of the first points an alert superior would notice.

And our average man is well scrubbed as to hands. His nails are carefully cleaned. Do you know any girls who have a bright polish on top of their nails, but grimy collection of soil under them? I have noticed several in the past few weeks who were guilty of this fault. Perhaps they were afraid of spoiling the polish.

How long is it since you saw a man with a rip in his sock? And still many girls will go blissfully through a day at the office with a long ladder in their stocking, hoping everyone would assume it had just happened. Keep an extra pair of hose in your desk and change immediately when a break occurs.

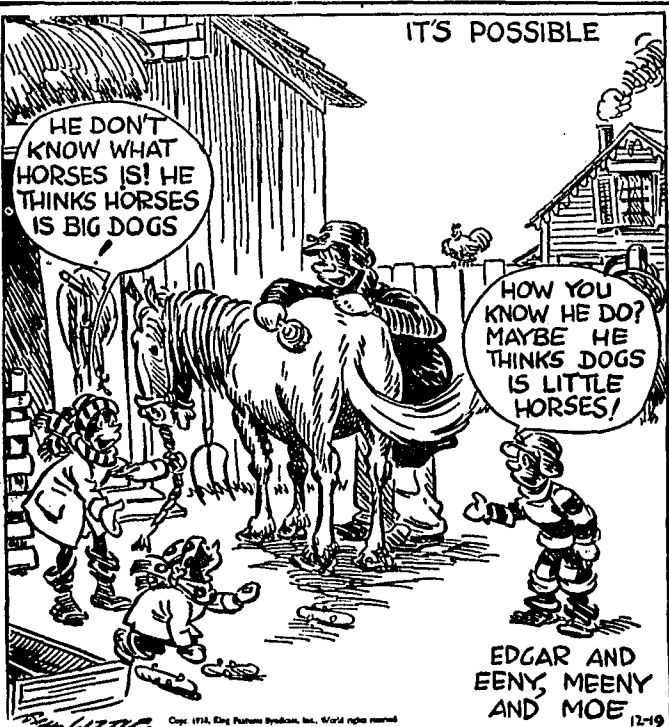
A well dressed man is most careful to keep his choice of tie, socks and shirt in harmony with his suit. He never would consider a good taste to use the color scheme I observed just this morning. A pretty girl of about 21 was seated opposite me in the bus. She was wearing a brown hat, a black coat, and green gloves—and for such combinations—some that you will see are quite startling.

All requests for personal "Health, Beauty and Poise" information desired by Veronica Dengel's column followers must be accompanied by a fully self-addressed stamped envelope (a 3x5). Address: Veronica Dengel in care of this newspaper.

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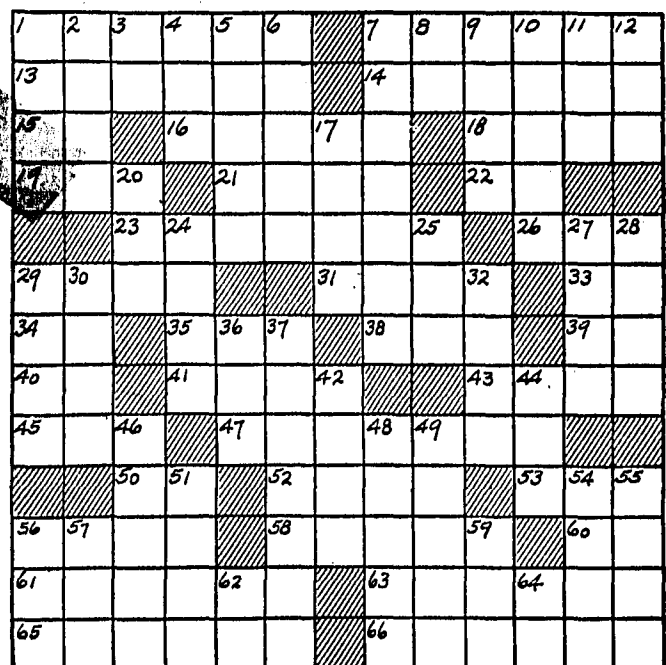
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## TODAY'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

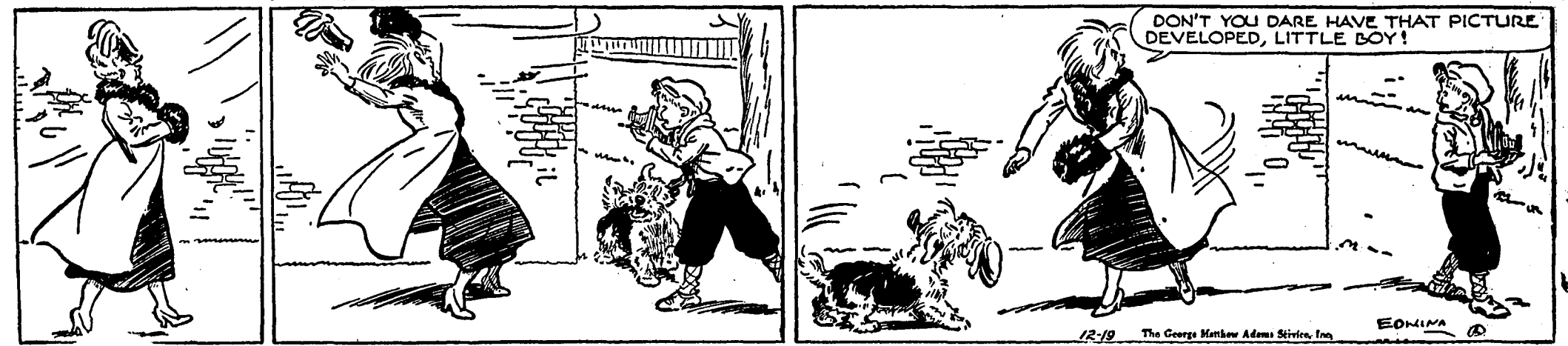
- ACROSS**
- Grassy field
  - Have high ambitions
  - Armed fleet
  - Barren
  - You and me
  - Manners
  - Place cargo aboard a vessel
  - Pasture
  - City in Nevada
  - English letter
  - Those who give
  - Watch narrowly
  - Heintz
  - Pack
  - Christian era: abbr.
  - Exclamation
  - White vest
  - Institute suit
  - One of the original thirteen states: abbr.
  - Children's measure of distance
  - Disolute person
  - Sister of one's father or mother
  - Kind of lettuce
  - Baggage carriers
- DOWN**
- Therefore
  - Long stick
  - Silly
  - Before
  - Grandson of Adam
  - Entirely
  - Biblical tower
  - French coin
  - Spun wool
  - Radical
  - Soft mineral
  - The buckeye
  - Withstand use
  - Tearing to
  - Pertaining to a historical period
  - Utility
  - Shrub or tree of the genus
  - Move in crowds
  - Official ancient Rome
  - Attitude
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  - Device for separating and etching
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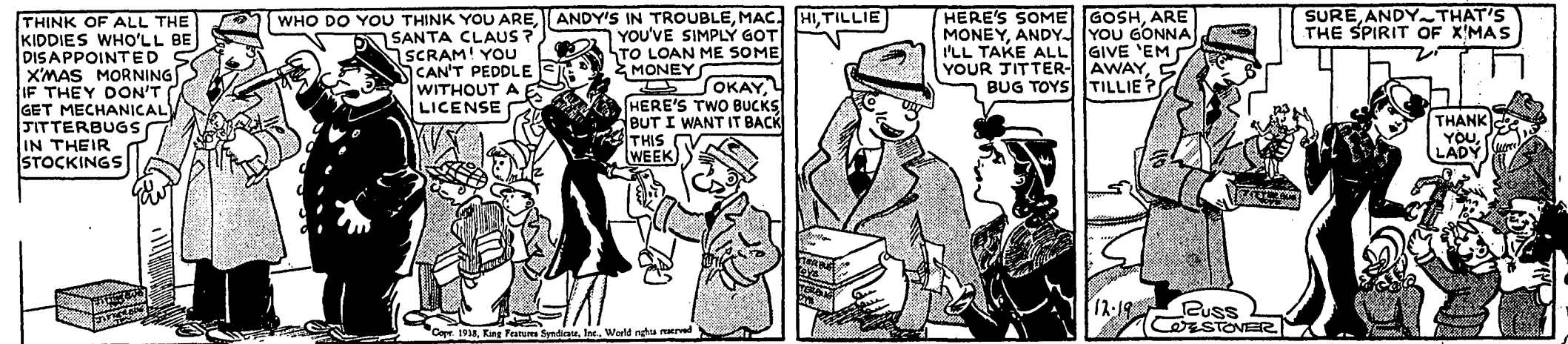
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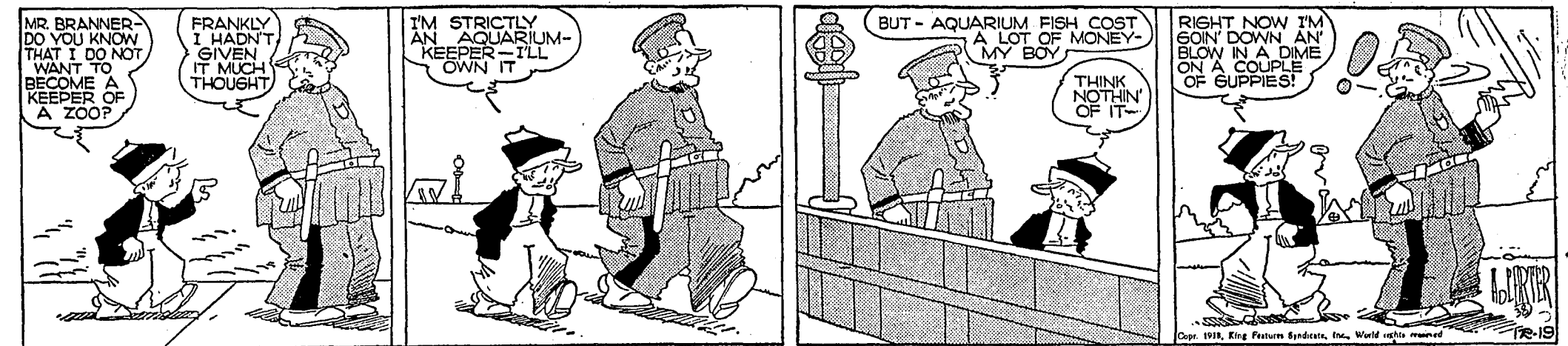
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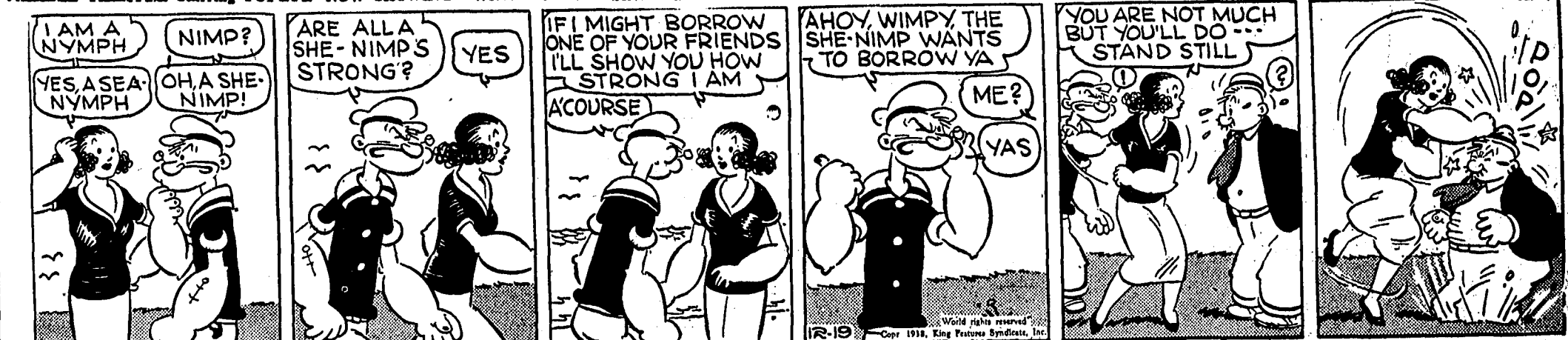
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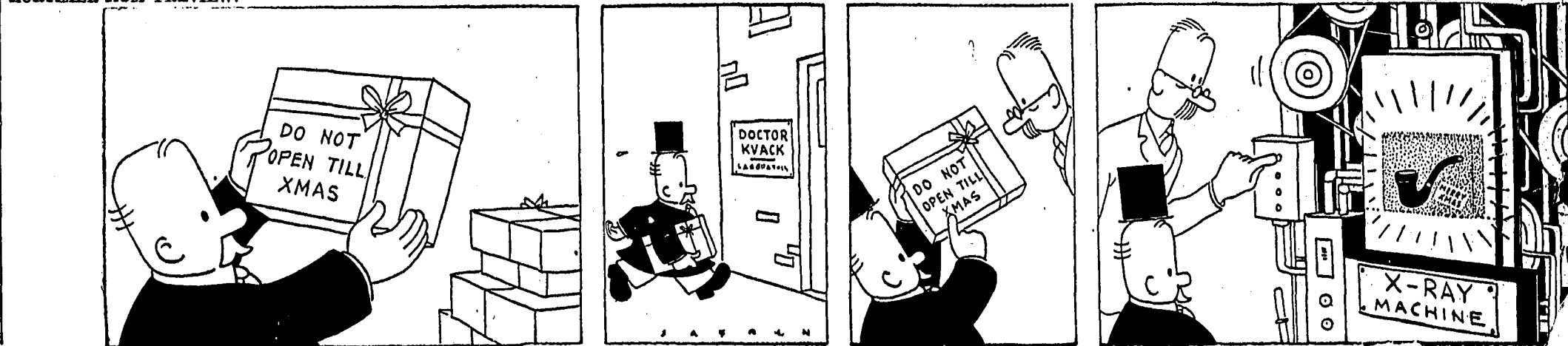
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## Markets

## Local Markets

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Cotton seed ..... \$21.00

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MARKET SLIGHTLYLATE PROFIT-TAKING, HOW-  
EVER, REDUCED OR ERASED  
MOST TOP MARKS

Fort Worth, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Demand for grain was still moderate here Monday.

Wheat No. 1 had 80-1-4 88-1-4.

Wheat No. 2 had 79-1-4 87-1-4.

Wheat No. 3 had 78-1-4 86-1-4.

Wheat No. 4 had 77-1-4 85-1-4.

Wheat No. 5 had 76-1-4 84-1-4.

Wheat No. 6 had 75-1-4 83-1-4.

Wheat No. 7 had 74-1-4 82-1-4.

Wheat No. 8 had 73-1-4 81-1-4.

Wheat No. 9 had 72-1-4 80-1-4.

Wheat No. 10 had 71-1-4 79-1-4.

Wheat No. 11 had 70-1-4 78-1-4.

Wheat No. 12 had 69-1-4 77-1-4.

Wheat No. 13 had 68-1-4 76-1-4.

Wheat No. 14 had 67-1-4 75-1-4.

Wheat No. 15 had 66-1-4 74-1-4.

Wheat No. 16 had 65-1-4 73-1-4.

Wheat No. 17 had 64-1-4 72-1-4.

Wheat No. 18 had 63-1-4 71-1-4.

Wheat No. 19 had 62-1-4 70-1-4.

Wheat No. 20 had 61-1-4 69-1-4.

Wheat No. 21 had 60-1-4 68-1-4.

Wheat No. 22 had 59-1-4 67-1-4.

Wheat No. 23 had 58-1-4 66-1-4.

Wheat No. 24 had 57-1-4 65-1-4.

Wheat No. 25 had 56-1-4 64-1-4.

Wheat No. 26 had 55-1-4 63-1-4.

Wheat No. 27 had 54-1-4 62-1-4.

Wheat No. 28 had 53-1-4 61-1-4.

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## FRANCE

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ship accord was signed to pro-

mote European peace and settle

"misunderstanding" between Paris

and Berlin.

This off-repeated statement

"France never will cede an inch

of territory" with an explanation

of diplomatic action taken fol-

lowing Italian demonstrations de-

manding Tunisia, Corsica, and

Nice.

4. France will hold to the non-

intervention accord designed to

isolate the Spanish civil war.

"We believe that the war

will end soon if foreign states

left the Spanish alone, face to

face," he said.

Budget Passed.

The minister's brief declaration

resulted in immediate passage

of the budget for 1939.

Bonnet stated flatly that any

attempt to force France to cede

any of her territory "could only

lead to a new world war."

In French territory, he said

pointedly, he included Tunis and

the Somali coast "as well as Cor-

sica, Nice and Savona"—all named

in Italian agitation for French

territory.

Concerning Jewish refugees

from Germany, the foreign min-

ister said France expected all

refugees to join in efforts to al-

leviate their plight. He stated that

a special committee with mem-

bers from many religions represented

would be formed to aid in this

task. He said the committee would

work with the French govern-

ment to handle the influx of

refugees into France and would

give special study to the question

of child refugees.

Meanwhile, the "no surrender"

bloc uttered strange bedfellows—

Communists, Royalists and In-

dependent Catholics—in opposition

to the Italian and German agita-

tion. Members of the group warned

that Prime Minister Chamberlain

would go to Rome with such an

offer in his pocket when he visits

Mussolini Jan. 14-15.

Duce's speech yesterday in his

Sardinia speech for territorial

expansion in the Mediterranean

and Red Seas failed to stir

French passions.

Some observers believed Duce's

silence only meant that he

had heard already of such

offers from London and Paris

and despite denials from officials

of both capitals.

Forecast Seizure of

Sought French Land

ROME, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Italy took

another important step toward

economic self-sufficiency today

when an authoritative publication

forecast the seizure of French

territorial claims against France

within ten months.

Premier Mussolini returned to

Naples after inaugurating at

Carbonara, Sardinia, an extensive

new canal project which will

cut down considerably Italy's

long-time dependence on foreign

fuel.

Relazioni International, organ

of the Institute for Study of In-

ternational Policy, asserted in its

current issue that:

"The year XVII of the fascist

era (this year ends October 28,

1939) will see the settlement of

accounts between Italy and

France and once again the long-

conquerer conservatism."

The article predicted French re-

jection of Italian claims, but said

"France will have a lost cause."

Italian Consulate Guarded.

DJBOUTI, French Somaliland,

Dec. 19.—(AP)—Police guarded the

Italian consulate today as col-

umns of French soldiers and

habitués marched through the

streets protesting their loyalty to

France in the face of Italian press

campaign demanding control of

their French-held territory.

Both Arab and Somali leaders

sent declarations of loyalty to the

governor of French Somaliland.

Many such declarations thus

far have been referred to as

"the complete lack of liberty" in

Italian-conquered Ethiopia.

ACCIDENTS

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day from gunshot wounds he

suffered while hunting rabbits.

His death was attributed to the

accident of a falling gun.

He will be buried today at West-

minster.

Mrs. Sarah Truss, 75, an in-

valid, burned to death when her

apartment at Greenville caught fire,

apparently from a defective gas

pipe. She was found in her bed, badly

burned.

Aged Woman Burned to Death.

GREENVILLE, Dec. 19.—(AP)—

Funeral services will be held to-

day for Mrs. Sarah Truss, 75-year-

old invalid who unable to escape

from her blazing home yesterday,

was fatally burned.

Mrs. Truss, clutching a tele-

phone in her hands, was found in

her room when firemen broke into her

room. She was alone in the small

room when she died. Police and

firemen found her body burned



## Pioneer Literary Club of Kerens In Christmas Meeting

KERENS, Dec. 19.—(Spl.)—The Pioneer Literary Club of Kerens observed its annual Christmas party Friday at 3 p. m. with a beautiful Christmas party and program in the home of Mrs. G. H. Sanders.

Mrs. Horace Newsome and Mrs. L. H. Carroll were co-hostesses. The approach of the holidays was heralded in both the living and dining room with lovely effects. Obtained from the use of cedar and silver, Christmas greens, silver bells, silver tree balls, and silver replicas of Santa's reindeer.

Especially beautiful was the small Christmas tree made of blue and silver, with holly leaves encircled with silvered magnolia leaves, which rested on a round reflector in the center of the dining room table.

All business was suspended for this meeting, and the president, Mrs. E. M. Westbrook, wished each and every one present a merry Christmas and a happy New Year in a well worded speech of introduction to the guest speaker, Miss Iza Murchison, of Corsicana.

Miss Murchison won the hearts of her large audience by her interesting, informative and informal talk, in which she recounted the many beauties and wonders of her recent trip abroad. Miss Dorothy Ness Atkins, guest, and member of the faculty of the Kerens school, gave several piano selections which were received with applause.

Gift-wrapped tokens of appreciation were presented to both guests by Mrs. Westbrook. In behalf of the hostess, Mrs. E. M. Westbrook, plates of fruit cake with whipped cream and coffee were served by the hostesses.

Since this was guest day, each member had invited one guest and these with a few out-of-town invitations brought the number present to about sixty, among the latter named were Mrs. J. S. Murchison, Miss Murchison, and Mrs. F. H. Loggins of Corsicana.

**Football Boys Celebrate**  
KERENS, Dec. 19.—(Spl.)—Celebrating the gift of Pete Massey to the Kerens football team, a fine nickelodeon, the football team, accompanied by their best girls, gathered at Grey's clubhouse at the city lake Friday evening and made merry for several hours with dancing and other forms of amusement.

Those in attendance were: John Kin, Louise Dobbs, Chester Davis, A. H. Holloway, June Baxter, R. A. Ward, La Vette Crawford, Pat Arnett, John Crawford, Cactus Johnson, Dad Gray, Nell Abritton, Allene Tyner, Virgil Lee Graves, Norwood Early, Dade Goforth, Mildred Shay, and J. C. Moore. Chapones were Mrs. J. B. Coates, Mrs. H. A. Quait, Mrs. E. H. Gray.

**Fined at Chaffield.**  
B. V. Hatt, justice of the peace at Chaffield, reported Monday that he had fined a negro for theft by bailie in two cases and one white man on a drunkenness charge over the week end.

**Having Recovered**  
from my recent illness, I am now in my office at regular hours.  
DR. TRIM HOUSTON.

**WRESTLING**  
Thursday Night, Dec. 22nd  
Main Event  
George Harben vs.  
Blacksmith Smith  
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## Kerens Garden Club Was Entertained At Christmas Party

KERENS, Dec. 17.—(Spl.)—The Garden club of Kerens was entertained with a delightful Christmas party and program Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. E. H. Norton and Mrs. Sam Jennings hostesses.

The yuletide theme was featured throughout the lovely Norton home, beginning with a holly wreath tied with a big red bow and silver bells on the outside of the living room door; inside a decorative arrangement of spruce boughs, silver bells, terrarium in a red bow, encircled the large round mirror above the mantel, at one end of which three Christmas candles burned. On the piano and the dining room table the same theme with variations, was effectively used.

In one corner of the living room a California spruce tree, with its star tip just missing the ceiling, was beautifully lighted with red, blue and silver lights.

Mrs. C. W. White, president, called the meeting to order, and heard reports from several committees. It was moved, seconded and the motion carried that the club as a whole purchase several hundred prize gladioli bulbs, to later be purchased individually.

Mrs. Horace Newsome, substituting for Mrs. Clete Owen, had prepared a very interesting program on "Review of the Origin of a Number of Familiar Christmas Carols." This was followed by the singing of several favorites "Silent Night," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Joy To The World," led by Mrs. C. W. White.

Miss Pauline Dahne, guest, reader gave in her charming way, "A Christmas Wish," by J. F. Bartlett, and "The Christmas Rose" by Florence Davis Boyce. The latter was especially beautiful in its significance. Concluding the program, Little Miss Darrell Mabry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dare Mabry sang, "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear."

Preceding this meeting members had drawn names, and had brought their gifts, which were piled beneath the tree. Miss Mabry as Santa's helper, distributed many varieties of growing bulbs, plants and vines, each in an attractive container.

A delectable refreshment plate of herchel pudding, topped with whipped cream and a candied pineapple, and hot coffee was served. Each plate held as a favor a miniature silver Christmas bell.

Guests other than club members were Mrs. A. L. Eals, Mrs. E. Miller, Mrs. Howell Grister, Mrs. Andrew McClung, Miss Pauline Dahne, Mrs. F. B. Jennings, and Mrs. M. O. Cheek.

**Have Pretty Baby Girl**  
KERENS, Dec. 17.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Bertron Inmon are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby daughter, who made her appearance on Wednesday, December 13th. She has been named Sandra Beth, and is already receiving a host of admiring friends and callers.

**TEL Class Meets.**  
KERENS, Dec. 17.—(Spl.)—On Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock the TEL class of the First Baptist Sunday school assembled in regular session at the home of Mrs. W. B. Parker with Mrs. W. D. Arnett, co-hostess. Fifteen members answered to roll call. Minutes were read and approved. \$5.55 paid in on the one cent per day fund, and \$2.00 voted to be given a needy family for Christmas. The year book committee was complimented on its work. A beautiful Devotional was taken from James 1:12-27 on "James Ideal of Religion" and presented by Mrs. Hunter Ross.

A delicious plate was served following an hour of comradeship. Mrs. W. H. Inmon was an especially welcome guest.

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## Santa Claus Letters

Rice, Tex., Dec. 14, 1938.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old. I go to school at Rice. I am in the first grade. Santa Claus, I want you to bring me a bottle-top doll and some clothes for it, and a doll buggy, some candy and fruit and nuts. Please don't forget my teacher, Miss Barnes.—Nellie Ruth Pierce.

Streetman, Tex., Dec. 13.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl two years old, so will you please bring me a baby doll, a ring, a tricycle, and lots of fruit. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.—Patsy Elaine Pillans.

Streetman, Tex., Dec. 13.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl, four years old. I have been a good little girl, so will you please bring me a tricycle, doll and a ring. Also bring me lots of fruit, nuts and candy.—Barbara Jean Pritchett.

Rice, Tex., Dec. 14.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl, 11 years old. I go to school at Rice. I am in the fourth grade. Santa Claus, I want you to bring me a bottle-top doll, and some clothes for it, and candy and fruit and nuts. Please don't forget my teacher, Miss McClanahan.—Marjorie Sue Pierce.

Dawson, Tex., Dec. 12.  
Dear Santa—I am a little girl, one year old. Please bring me a doll and ball. Don't forget my little cousin, Royce Gene. Bring him something nice, too.—Jimmie Dorene Jackson.

Barry, Tex., Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa—I am a little boy. I go to Barry school. Please bring me a little blue car, nuts and firecrackers. Thank you.—James Coker.

Barry, Tex., Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa—I am a little girl, five years old. Please bring me a little sleepy doll, a broom and some fire crackers, fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget daddy.—Martha Joe Coker.

Barry, Tex., Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa—I am a little boy, two years old. I want a little red wagon, a big red ball and a tractor with a trailer that has tires. Don't forget pa.—Thomas Randolph Coker.

Caldwell, Tex., Dec. 8.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl six years old and I have been a good girl. Please bring me a telephone, a little sewing machine and toy radio. Be sure to bring plenty of fruit and nuts also lots of fireworks, and candy. Be sure to remember Granddaddy Ray, and my other Granddaddy McDonald.—Bette Nell McDonald.

Barry, Tex., Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa—I am a little boy, six months old, and I want a big rattle, a big pink elephant and a big rubber ball. Don't forget mother and all.—Charles Edgar Coker.

Barry, Tex., Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa—I am a little girl. I want a little sleepy doll, a broom and some candy and nuts. I will thank you very much. Don't forget my school chum, Arleta Kitchen.—Edith Coker.

Wortham, Tex., Rt. 1, Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy, nine years old. I go to school at Wortham and am in the fourth grade. I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring me a football, candy, fruits, nuts, and fireworks.—Marce Brooks.

Purdum, Tex., Dec. 12.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy six years old. I am going to school and am trying to be a good boy. I want you to bring me a new coaster wagon, a football and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget any of my little friends at school.—Thomas Allen Compton, Jr.

Purdum, Tex., Dec. 12.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy, three years old. I have been a good boy. I would like to have a new tricycle, and a little truck. Also lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my little cousin, F. L. He has been a good boy, too.—Billie Clifford Compton.

Richland, Tex., Dec. 10.  
Dear Santa Claus—I want a pair of boot pants, a cross and chain, telephone, doll and suitcase. I am seven years old and in the second grade and I am on the honor roll.—Evelyn Jo Hogan.

Winkler, Tex., Dec. 12.  
Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl, six years old, and I am in the second grade. I have been a very good little girl. Will you please bring me a little cabinet, a doll that goes to sleep and nurses her little, a little log cabin and a little dresser. Also fireworks, candy and nuts and fruit. Be sure and don't forget my little cousin, Barbara Jean.—Dorothy Dee Anderson.

Alma, Tex., Dec. 15.  
Dear Santa Claus—I have been a pretty good girl this year. I am seven years old. I want you to bring me house slippers, a ukulele, a pair of roller skates, a play store, play doctors and nurse's kit, police set, a bicycle.—Jean Marie Brock.

Corsicana, Tex., Rt. 4, Dec. 17.  
Little boys, age three and four boy four years old. Please bring me a big truck and a telephone. I also want some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the fireworks. I will try to be a good little boy, so don't forget me.—John Whitten.

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 17.  
Dear Santa Claus—We are a little family, age three and four years. We try to be good. We want you to bring us a moving van and a sand digger. We want a walking Charlie McCarthy, milk truck and a Gene Autry gun. We want a saddle suit and a packet. Don't forget nuts and fruit. Remember all of the poor children. Don't forget my mama and daddy.—Donald Leon and James Edward Tackett.

P. S. Don't forget our sister, Alma Louise, who wants a watch

## ARMS PLOT

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McMahon said the conference, scheduled to meet this afternoon in the federal building, would discuss possible violations of the income tax laws, the neutrality law and illegal alcohol diversion.

"No matter who is connected with Coster, no matter what position he occupies in the political or financial world, we are prepared to go through to the end," McMahon said, and added, "In my opinion Coster's illicit liquor dealings is the biggest issue."

The three brothers after his masquerade was ripped away at the opening of investigations of the swindle, are equally involved in a conspiracy to violate the law, McMahon said.

The brothers are George, Vernard-Arthur Musica, Canadian agent for the drug firm; George Musica, 47, assistant treasurer of the federal world, we are prepared to go through to the end," McMahon said, and added, "In my opinion Coster's illicit liquor dealings is the biggest issue."

Non-Belligerent Nation.  
The contract for the rifles, Wingersky said, called for their export to a non-belligerent nation, but so far as he knew the contract was never consummated.

At the office of the Standard Oil Company here the English company was described as the Anglo-American Oil Company.

McCall, upon being Wingersky's statement, ordered him to report to Acting U. S. Attorney Gregory F. Noonan, since this phase of the inquiry into the \$37,000,000 corporation, control of which Musica gained after changing his name and hiding his criminal background, was out of the state's jurisdiction.

Wingersky said he was ordered by Coster-Musica to draw up the contract last May.

"Mr. Coster," said Wingersky, "was in his office at 155 East 44th Street. He outlined the proposition, saying an English company of Standard Oil and McKesson and Robbins were interested in the purchase of Lee-Enfield rifles. I told him I would have to ascertain if our firm had the legal right to buy any rifles. I drew up drafts of a contract that I would approve and subsequently I presented it at Mr. Coster's direction to Ben Simon."

Simon on Firm Payroll.  
Wingersky said he had ascertained through a Mr. McGloin, controller of the McKesson and Robbins firm in their Bridgeport, Conn., office that Simon lived in the Bronx and had been on the firm's payroll from time to time.

Simon, the lawyer said, owed the company \$2,400 in notes, one for \$650 and the other for \$1,750, dated June 29, 1936. McGloin, he said, told him he last saw Simon in Bridgeport on the day the application for a receipt was filed there two weeks ago tomorrow.

"What was the amount of the contract," asked McCall.  
For 100,000 new Lee-Enfield rifles of .30 caliber. The contract called for the transportation for the export and delivery of the rifles to a friendly, non-combatant consignee, whose ambassador will attest to the friendly nature of the consignee.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—(AP)—The federal government opened a coordinated inquiry today into a vast international arms smuggling plot which officials predicted would net co-conspirators "equally as important" as Philip Musica, arch-swindler of his time.

As authorities began an extended probe into the \$18,000,000 shortage in the crude drugs department of the McKesson & Robbins Corporation, they walked the agent to provide funds for the smuggling enterprise—Musica himself lay in a Brooklyn morgue.

With his widow virtually the only mourner, he will be buried in a guarded ceremony during the day in the Cypress Hills cemetery in Queens, near his father, Antonio Musica, an immigrant Italian barber.

The distinguished-looking, 61-year old ex-convict, who as "F. Donald Coster" became head of the world's third largest drug firm and ended a lifelong career in deception by blowing his brains out, remained in death the key enigma in a case of baffling complexity.

Although a number of other angles remained unexplored, acting U. S. Attorney Gregory F. Noonan said representatives of the six federal agencies in the coordinated inquiry would lay "special emphasis" on the arms-smuggling phase of the investigation.

Noonan said these and other government agencies also would probe thoroughly reports that Musica, convicted in the \$1,000,000 "human hair" fraud in 1913, used part of the \$18,000,000 missing McKesson and Robbins funds to pay off blackmailers who threatened to disclose his identity.

Political Protection.  
Another lead of possible national repercussions was the theory held by most investigators that Musica's empire of swindle and his reported traffic in munitions were safeguarded by political protection—bought with poison millions.

Federal authorities disclosed that their chief clue in the arms smuggling inquiry was a recent letter and boots, and our brother, John Leroy, who wants an air gun and a sailor suit.

## Turkeys - Turkeys

Time is getting short to dress turkeys for best markets but will pay top price for good turkeys and will dress as long as can and will then sell live in order to take some lights for nearby markets.

## Hens - Hens

My advice is to hold poultry until after first of year, we will be buying every day but market will be lower now than later on.

A. B. WALKER  
AND SON

to George Musica, alias "George S. Dietrich," assistant treasurer of McKesson and Robbins, ordering 150,000 rifles and 250,000,000 rounds of ammunition.

Investigators said they had not yet established the true identity of the man who wrote the letter.

George Musica, 47, scheduled to be brought here from New Haven, Conn., during the day, will be questioned with the other surviving brothers, Arthur, 44, alias "George Vernard," Canadian agent for the drug firm, and Robert, 34, alias "Robert Dietrich," purchasing agent for the firm's Bridgeport, Conn., plant.

Each is held under \$100,000 bail on charges of violating the federal securities act.

## DUST STORM

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eral there was some evidence of poor development of the Panhandle, in Texas, outside the Panhandle.

## Decatur Delegation View Locker System

A delegation of Decatur, Wise county, businessmen and citizens were here Monday afternoon and inspected the Walker frozen food locker system establishment. There has been considerable investigation at Decatur relative to the probable installation of such an institution and they were here looking over the local plant. Included in the visiting party here Monday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Milligan, C. P. Dodson, E. M. Eaton, Wise county agent; Miss Ruth Farfuhar,

dryness was "becoming serious" with much dry planted wheat still ungerminated and many farmers waiting for rain so they could plant seeds.

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home demonstration agent; Miss Marie Watson, assistant home demonstration agent; Cliff Cates, secretary of the Decatur Chamber of Commerce, and Ed Hornback, Decatur farmer. Messrs. Milligan and Dodson are connected with the Decatur Ice Company. Mr. Milligan is a brother of A. M. Milligan, local banker.

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